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SUBJECT: HIRC QUESTIONS

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1. DEPARTMENT MAY DRAW ON THE FOLLOWING AS APPROPRIATE IN
RESPONSE TO HIRC QUESTIONS ON CORRUPTION.

2. WE ARE AWARE OF NEWSPAPER REPORTS ALLEGING CORRUPTION
AND/OR ADMINISTRATIVE ABUSES BY SOME GOVERNMENT AND PARTY
OFFICIALS. FORMER RTP DIRECTOR EDMUNDO PEDRO HAS BEEN
CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL ARMS POSSESSION AND IS CURRENTLY
UNDER INVESTIGATORY DETENTION. PORTUGAL IS PROUD
OF ITS FREE AND UNFETTERED PRESS WHICH TAKES A LIVELY AND
SOMETIMES PARTISAN INTEREST IN ITS GOVERNING OFFICIALS. AS
A RESULT RUMORS ABOUND. AS IN ANY GOVERNMENT, CORRUPTION AND
ADMINISTRATIVE ABUSES MAY EXIST. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT
THE GOP IS ALIVE TO THE POSSIBILITY AND HAS ESTABLISHED A
SPECIAL CABINET OFFICE RESPONSIBLE FOR INVESTIGATING ANY
CHARGES OF CORRUPTION WITHIN THE GOP. THE OFFICE WILL WORK
UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF PRIME MINISTER SOARES AND
INDEPENDENTLY OF PORTUGUESE LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES.
THERE IS NO EVIDENCE TO SUGGEST THAT SUBSTANTIATED FINDINGS
OF CORRUPTION WOULD NOT BE HANDLED BY THE APPROPRIATE LEGAL
AUTHORITIES.

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